

Springfield Homeowners Association, Inc.
 1103 Lampwick Lane
 Murrell Inlet, SC 29576

April 9, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Anne Marie Grimmer, Gary Ofenloch, Ruth Mellon, Keven Gendron, Tom Houlihan, and Carole Roberts

Members Absent: Frank Saunders

Committee Chairs Present: Doug Ellison, Barbara Houlihan, Gray Ransom, Margaret Ransom, Robert Nasto, Helena Steere, Rich Whitehouse

Guest: Jim Montgomery

Agenda Item/Topic	Discussion	Action
Call to order 1:01 PM	Everyone was welcomed	Noted
Approval or Minutes	Motion to accept March Minutes	Approved
Flagpole	Doug Ellison, Tom Houlihan, Frank Saunders, Jim Montgomery, and Ruth Mellon worked together to install the flagpole. Three families donated along with Tom Houlihan for the cost of the flagpole. Aggregate was briefly discussed	They were thanked for completing this project. Thanks to all four families. Doug Elison is to find out the cost for this project.
Update on Security Cameras at the mail center.	The cameras were installed, prograded and are running. Three Board members will be monitoring the security system. No voices will be recorded at the mail center. A motion was made and passed to obtain a new sign stating	Gary Ofenloch along with Ruth Mellon were thanked for taking lead on this project. Tom Houlihan and Frank Saunders were thanked for their assistance installing the cameras Gary Ofenloch, Ruth Mellon, and Frank Saunders were thanked for agreeing to and monitoring the cameras. Noted A sign will be purchased and installed.

	under video surveillance.	
Proxy Letter, Annual Meeting, and Slate of officers.	<p>It was discussed that one Board member and two members of the community would be needed to count votes at the annual meeting. The Annual Meeting is at 1:00 p.m. at the Moose Lodge on Saturday April 20, 2024.</p> <p>The need to man table for registration was discussed.</p> <p>Set up needs were briefly discussed.</p>	<p>Tom Houlahan will count the votes along with Robert Nasto and Margret Ransom.</p> <p>Margret Ransom, Barbara Houlihan and Carole or Don Roberts will help at the registration table.</p> <p>Carole Roberts will be bringing materials needed for meeting. The Board of Directors will arrive at 12:15 along with those helping to set up.</p>
<p>Attorney Meeting 319 Chastain Court</p> <p>323 Chastain Court</p> <p>Fences on the Lake</p> <p>Security Cameras/ACC Guidelines</p> <p>Garden Flags as Political Signs</p>	<p>This property is compliant with ACC guidelines concerning their fence. The fence will need to be removed when the house is sold.</p> <p>A letter was delivered concerning the fence.</p> <p>Additional fences on the lake or any waterfront property including the canal are not permitted under our current guidelines except for exception of homes where small children reside.</p> <p>Our attorney advised the Board of the wording for the security camera section of the ACC Guidelines. Attorney Jewell stated that the ACC Guidelines should be registered with Horry County as soon as possible since the cameras are operational now.</p> <p>Our attorney advised the Board that garden flags are political signs when they depict</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>The homeowners replied that they would remove the fence, no time line was set.</p> <p>There will be no further approval of fences on waterfront properties except as permitted by current ACC Guidelines, as advised by our HOA attorney.</p> <p>This ACC Guidelines were updated and approved on March 30,2024 unanimously by the Board. The attorney recorded the ACC Guidelines with the Horry County, SC Registrar of deeds, April 4,2024.</p> <p>All are reminded that political signs may only be displayed one week before an election and</p>

	candidates and date of an election.	must be removed the after the election, per ACC Guidelines
Shed	After some discussion a motion was made and approved to preserve necessary documents and to dispose of Financial Documents dated before 2016.	Ruth Mellon will head this project with assistance from Gray Ransom, Margret Ransom, and others who may be available to help.
Donation of flagpole.	The Board accepted a donation of a flagpole from Bob and Carole Tabor.	The Tabors are thanked for their donation. The pole will be put in the garden bed by the driveway leading to the pool by Doug Ellison and other volunteers.
Architecture Review 201 Covey Point	Doug Elison presented to the Board a letter outlining the ACC Guideline violations and actions needed to bring this home into compliance.	The Board accepted the review and will mail a letter from both the Board and ACC Committee to parties involved.
Beautification	Rich Whitehouse completed his time as the Chair of the Beautification committee. A discussion was held about the urgent need for a new Chairperson for the Beautification Committee. Without a new chair, flowers will not be planted at the mail center or pool.	Rich Whitehouse was thanked for his efforts Community members are urged to consider filling this position so that the neighborhood will continue to benefit from an active Beautification Committee effort. Talk to a Board member for more information.
Finance	Gray Ransom mentioned a letter he received from South State Bank concerning a compromise. This is the bank where the HOA does it's banking. Finance report presented and accepted. Gray explained that HOA dues for a home purchase was collected. Gray presented the results/findings of the Audit for this past year. Gray explained bad debt verses creating	Board members, both past and present, are encouraged to check with South State to assure their information is secure. Noted

	accounts receivable; thus, explaining the bad debt in the report.	
Food Drive	<p>There will be a meeting of the Food Drive Committee on May 31, 2024, 1:00 PM at the Ransom home.</p> <p>Bags will be dropped off along with a flyer on June 4th and will be picked up on June 11th.</p> <p>Margret Ransome announced that this will be the last food drive that she will chair.</p>	<p>Everyone interested in assisting with the Food Drive should attend the meeting.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Margret Ransom was thanked for her efforts for Chairing several food drives over the last three years.</p> <p>Barbra Houlihan will continue as co-chair. Please consider working with Barbra either as her co-chair or as part of this committee.</p>
Pool	Bob Nasto reported that the power washing was done along with minor repairs and maintenance jobs were completed	Noted
Social Committee	Helena Steere reported that the next event would be the Spring Fling on Saturday April 27 th . The day's events will begin with a Cornhole Tournament at 10:00 AM and continue with a luncheon at 1:00 PM. There will be prizes for the top three Cornhole teams. One does not need to participate in cornhole to come to lunch.	Community Members are encouraged to look at the flyers on the community bulletin board and sign up for either part of the day's festivities or both.
Welcome	Margret Ransom reported that there is one house under contract that is scheduled to close on April 16, 2024 and another house sale pending. Both homes are on Vestry Drive.	Noted
Yard sale	The yard sale will be taking place Saturday, April 13 th .	Noted

	<p>This will be the last yard sale Margret Ransom will spearhead as the</p> <p>Social Committee will take on this task.</p>	<p>Margret Ransom was thanked for her efforts for taking care of this task for the last several years.</p> <p>Noted</p>
Towing	<p>Ruth Mellon explained the towing company that provides towing for Springfield has gone out of business.</p> <p>A brief conversation was held to explain why a towing company was needed. Although it is hoped that they will never be used, the HOA must enter an agreement in order to post the company's signage giving notice to residents and visitors alike.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Springfield HOA will enter into a contract with a licensed towing company.</p>
Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 PM</p>	<p>The next meeting will be held at the pool at 1:00 Pm on Tuesday May 14th.</p>